

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:	S.M. Gebert et al.	Examiner:	Joshua D. Campbell
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TITLE:	METHOD, SYSTEM, AND PROGRAM FOR PREPROCESSING A DOCUMENT TO RENDER ON AN OUTPUT DEVICE		

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**AMENDMENT AFTER APPEAL AND BEFORE FILING
OF APPEAL BRIEF UNDER 37 CFR 41.33**

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

This amendment is submitted pursuant to 37 CFR 41.33 after the filing of the Appeal and before the filing of the Appeal Brief. Applicants request the amendment to claim 19 presented herein to change the dependency from claim 15 to intervening claim 16 to place the claims in better form for consideration on appeal. In particular, corresponding claims 5 and 33, which substantially include the requirements of system claim 19 in method and article of manufacture form, are dependent on their intervening claims 2 and 30, respectively, which include substantially similar requirements as intervening claim 16. Thus, amending claim 19 to depend from intervening claim 16 instead of base claim 15 will provide claim 19 with commensurate scope as corresponding claims 5 and 33. Further, intervening claim 16 provides antecedent basis for the elements of claim 19. For all these reasons, Applicants request the Examiner to enter this amendment.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2.
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